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TO IDENTIFY THROMBOTIC AND ANTI-THROMBOTIC COMPOUNDS AND GENES Examiner: Ralph J. Gitomer

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

By this Office Action, the Examiner has required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121 and §372:

- I. Claims 1-7 and 14, drawn to a method of creating vascular wound in a zebrafish.
- II. Claim 16, drawn to a method of causing a thrombus in a zebrafish.
- III. Claim 17, drawn to a method of creating a hemorrhage in the gills of a zebrafish.
- IV. Claims 18, 22 and 23, drawn to a method of measuring clotting or coagulation in a zebrafish.
- V. Claim 36, drawn to a method of identifying a substance that alters thrombosis.
- VI. Claim 46, drawn to a method for identifying a gene associated with coagulation.

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The Examiner has further required restriction to one of the following species:

Two distinct methods for creating a uniform vascular wound including:

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- 1. laser irradiation
- 2. exposure to sodium hydroxide.

Three distinct methods of analyzing coagulation including:

- 1. laser irradiation
- exposure to sodium hydroxide
- 3. determining red cell lysis.

Responsive to the restriction requirement, Applicant elects to prosecute the invention of Group I, with species election of laser irradiation, which read on claims 1-7 and 14, without traverse.

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